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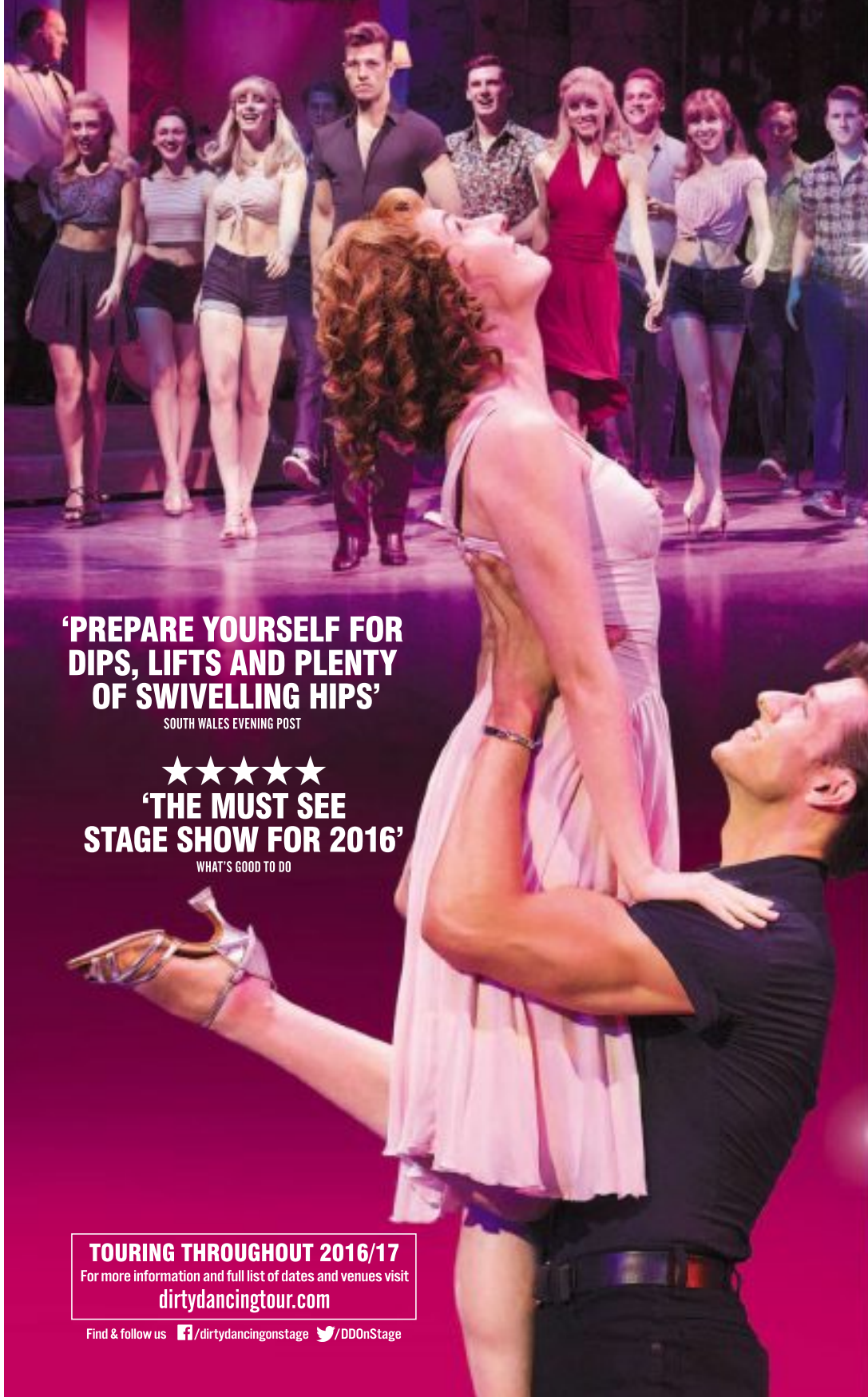
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New council
leader: 'Assault
on wife worst
thing I've done'



MOVING ON: Cllr Nunn

A councillor who was convicted 12 years ago of assaulting his wife has been named the new leader of Northampton Borough Council.

Councillor Jonathan Nunn, has vowed he would never do such a thing again, and says he 'expects no forgiveness' for the 'worst thing I've ever done in my life'.

Cllr Nunn, aged 51, will formally be revealed in his new position at the next full council meeting, after the former leader Cllr Mary Markham resigned on Monday in a row over the future of a pub in the town (see full story on p9).

The father-of-three, who represents Nene Valley, said of being made the new leader - a position which only he applied for: "I am tremendously honoured. It's a great privilege."

"There is a really big job to do to really get our town on track to be the best it can be."

Looking back on his conviction for actual bodily harm in 2004, Cllr Nunn said: "It's something I think about every day."

"It's the most stupid, wrong thing I've ever done in my whole life."

"What should people think of that now?"

"Well they shouldn't think anything other than the fact that it's a terrible, terrible thing."

"Nobody should be expected to accept it, forgive me or anything like that. You have to move on."

Teacher admits child porn stash

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER

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A teacher from Northants has pleaded guilty to possessing a catalogue of indecent images of children.

Phillip Allen, 48 and from Potterspury, appeared at Northampton Magistrates Court on Monday to face seven charges.

The RE teacher, who had taught at Shenley Brook End school in Milton Keynes, was charged with making 255 indecent images of children.

Out of all the images, 172 fell into Category A - the most extreme kind - followed by 46 in Category B and 37 in Category C.

Mr Allen - who appeared at Magistrates in a dark suit and tie - was also charged

with possessing two prohibited images. He pleaded guilty to all charges.

Prosecuting, Jerena Tomaszewska told the court the images were found on three devices - including Mr Allen's laptop, iPad and an external hard-drive - after police officers raided the house he shares with his wife in June this year.

Magistrates' then sent the case to Northampton Crown Court, where Mr Allen - who has frequently written for the Times Educational Supplement as a prominent figure in religious education - will be sentenced on November 11.

He has been granted conditional bail, on the condition that he does not come into unsupervised contact with under the age of 18.



GUILTY/PLEA:
Phillip Allen, a teacher who lives in Potterspury, south Northants, has pleaded guilty to all seven charges

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This week's picture was posted on Twitter, and shows a car blocking a pathway, garage and a parked car on Gordon Street in the Semilong area of

Northampton. The snapper said bad parking in the street is a reoccurring problem.

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What song makes you emotional or makes you cry?

I always get tearful listening to "See you Again" by Wiz Khalifa

What is your favourite sandwich?

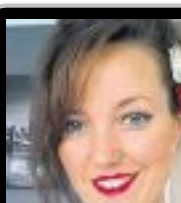
It would be cheese, crisps and sweet Piccalilli

What is your favourite spot in the world?

I love New York

If Gretchen Larkin was a fruit?

I would have to be a fruit salad to ensure a bit of variety and diversity!



This week's Txt 2 Txt is with Gretchen Larkin from Bohemian Finds, Market Walk Shopping Centre in Northampton

What scares you?

The thought of never being able to tick off my bucket list of places to visit...

What one song do you want played at your funeral?

"Lose Yourself" by Eminem.

What was the last thing you broke?

My favourite big wine glass "Big Bertha!"

Find out what's on

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Editor's Letter



Royal and Derngate school will make you forget the rest

The Royal and Derngate school is a sexy idea in a "makes you sorry for all the rest" kind of way.

We've had lots of new school moments in the past few years: motor engineering at Silverstone, a public service secondary at Wootton, countless makeovers rebuilds and new builds.

They all have their merits and many have made headlines for their achievements but admit it, when you hear that the Royal and Derngate is doing a school you immediately think: *Fame*.

The 80s musical about a school for performing arts students featured students spilling out onto the New York streets for dance routines in leg warmers and leotards.

Martin Sutherland, chief executive of the Royal and Derngate, has personally assured me that legwarmers will not be part of the school uniform but there is a public consultation phase that is opening now so if you want it...

Personally I like the idea of a school site fairly close to the theatre that helps generate a bit of an atmosphere in the Cultural Quarter.

This area of town features Royal and Derngate, the museum, the NN Cafe and gallery, 78 Derngate and will

The addition of a horde of creative youngsters hanging around and doing it their own way

soon include an array of small business units not dissimilar to those that once made the Fishmarket such an interesting arts centre to hang out in.

These are all great places in their own right but the addition of a horde of creative youngsters hanging around busking, dancing and doing it their own way will lift them and the cultural quarter like nothing else.

There is a long way to go before the first class sits down in the new school but it is an exciting prospect - something that could be of national significance and without doubt an asset to the town.

This is an opportunity that needs to be grabbed with both hands and it is for us - the people of Northampton - to take it.

Steve Scoles



NEWS IN BRIEF

600 jobs
are at risk

Northampton-based Travis Perkins is closing 30 branches, putting 600 jobs at risk.

The builders merchant is making the move due to an 'uncertain UK outlook' for next year. No more details about the closures have been revealed.

Lottery
winner

A £67k National Lottery prize has been claimed by a ticket holder in the Corby/Kettering area, just in time for yesterday's deadline.

The lucky person won the prize the £67,440.20 in the EuroMillions draw on April 22.

Clowns
banned

Clowns have now become so scary that a school near Wellingborough has banned them from its Halloween disco tonight. Great Doddington Primary has sent text messages to parents, saying clown masks could scare the younger children.

Ghost hunters on spooky live show



BIG BREAK: Alex Duggan (far left) and Michael York (second from right) will star in the TV show

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER
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A pair of Northampton ghost hunters will be part of a team of experts in a brand new TV show - which will see celebrities filmed live as they spend a night in the UK's most haunted hotel.

Michael York and Alex Duggan, who together make up paranormal research team UK Haunted, will appear on Celebrity Haunted Hotel Live on channel 'W' for five nights from October 27 to October 31.

Part of a group of paranormal investigators, the pair will help a different batch of stars who check-in to the

hotel - the location of which is currently a secret - each evening to communicate with the spirit world, using different pieces of technology.

The scared celebrities will be under the control of viewers who will get to vote each night on which star takes part in nail-biting investigations, experiments and group events - which Michael and Alex will help to carry out.

The programme, which will be presented by Christine Lampard, who is best known for presenting The One Show, along with Matt Richardson and Jamie East, will also be filmed entirely live.

Alex told the Northants Herald and Post: "We are very excited and cannot wait to get started!"

"Halloween is our favourite time of year and this year it is going to be extra special as we get to have it for five nights!"

The show will air at 9pm each night, and you can also follow Michael and Alex's progress on the pair's Twitter page @UKHaunted - where they have racked up an impressive 100,000 followers.

Speaking about the chilling new show, presenter Christine said: "Five nights in the UK's spookiest hotel with some great celebrity guests over Halloween - what could possibly go wrong?!"

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MY PERSONAL PLAYLIST

Jo Carlin



This week's Personal Playlist is with Jo Carlin from Northampton

When The Going Gets Tough
Billy Ocean

I remember dancing in the lounge with my sister to this.

Summer of '69
Bryan Adams

I've always been a big fan of Bryan Adams and this song always gets me up dancing!

Daydream Believer
The Monkees

A real feel good song that has to be up full volume.

Can't Take My Eyes
Off Of You

Andy Williams
My wedding song so has to be one of my top five.

In a Broken Dream
Python Lee Jackson

Great song and it reminds my husband of a great friend who he sadly lost a couple of years ago as he loved this song.

Have you snapped our picture of the week?



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Early bird

We are giving Herald readers a chance to show off their photographic skills with our Picture of the Week feature. We are looking for shots that sum up the unique flavour of life in your part of Northamptonshire. You can post it to our Facebook page or email it to news@hpnorthants.co.uk

This week's image was Tweeted to us by Eamonn Fitzpatrick, a market trader in Northampton town centre, and shows the crack of dawn on the Market Square. This scene is one 'Fitzzy' is familiar with, as it is where he sets up his stall every morning.

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Jailed for child porn

A Corby man who had more than 300 pornographic images of children - including 120 of the most serious A level indecent images - has been jailed for two years.

Nigel Farey, 52, was sentenced last week.

Indecent exposure

A man exposed himself to two young schoolgirls in Daventry last Wednesday.

At about 3.30pm at Daneholme Park, the girls - both 11-years-old - were walking through the field when a man in his 30s exposed himself to them.

New role at hospital

Northampton General Hospital has created a new role to support victims of domestic abuse.

The advisor, called Claire, will offer advice and guidance.



CCTV captured the bizarre moment an 'alleged thief' tried to steal a 7ft blind from a furniture shop in Northampton - by hiding it down his jacket and trouser leg.

The suspected thief was seen entering the Dunelm Mill store on Sunday, October 16, when he - as police describe - 'allegedly concealed a venetian blind down one trouser leg and up the back of his jacket'.

He then left the store, in Nene Valley Retail Park, St James Mill Road, at around 2.25pm - 25 minutes

after entering - and made no attempt to pay for the item.

He was followed by staff up a nearby canal path, where he dropped the blind before making off.

A police spokesperson said: "The blind was damaged as a result."

Officers say they would now like to speak with the man pictured.

Anyone with information can contact Northamptonshire Police on 101. Alternatively, they can call the independent charity Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

Ex-PCC 'gave out MP's info'

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER

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Northamptonshire's first Police and Crime Commissioner appeared in court on Tuesday accused of passing information about Wellingborough MP Peter Bone.

Adam Simmonds, 39, denied disclosing information relating to a criminal investigation into the Conservative MP when he appeared at Westminster Magistrates' Court.

The alleged breach took place between November 2013 and May 2014, when Simmonds was still in his role as PCC, and is said to involve him passing the information to colleagues inside the Conservative Party.

Simmonds was elected in 2012, describing himself in a Guardian interview as 'the George Washington of the system'.

He served until 2016, when he was replaced by fellow Conservative Stephen Mold.

John Law, prosecuting, said: "This is a case relating to the disclosure of information regarding a criminal investigation into a then and current Member of Parliament."

"This was done by this defendant having received information in his capacity as Police and Crime Commissioner and passing it to a number of colleagues in the Conservative Party between the dates that we have heard."

"It is plainly serious to disclose this information and plainly in breach of trust as a public servant, as he received this information in a professional capacity."

Simmonds, of Leicester, denies one count of breaching the Data Protection Act.

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Twitter hopes



Northants police officer, PC Rob Stevens, is hoping for success on December 23. This is when the Police Twitter Awards will be held at Wootton Hall, headquarters of Northamptonshire Police. These awards are for all the police forces in the UK.

Team's true grit



For Northamptonshire Highways, the winter season has started and gritting crews are now on standby round-the-clock until mid-April. A total of 1,198 miles of road receives gritting when required – the same distance as between London and Rome.

Ale House steps back to the past

Nicholas Bieber chats to the owners of St Giles Ale House, which is not your usual bar

A new pub which will have 'no music, sports or television' - and will instead focus on 'drinks and the art of conversation' - is opening in Northampton.

St Giles Ale House in St Giles Street, next to Mu Mu restaurant, will serve its first customers at the end of this month as it tries to turn the clock back 60 years.

Aiming to attract a more 'mature clientele', the traditional bar will be run by Adam Case and Ian Tompkins, who both used to man the doors at The Auctioneers and Hakamou.

The business partners will also be joined by Terry Steers, who will help run the bar having already managed pubs across the town, including The Wigand Pen, The Fox and Hounds and The Golden Lion. Adam, 26, from Bugbrooke - who helped set

up The Retro Bar in Bridge Street with Ian says the trio hope to 'bring back that old community lifestyle that used to be so great'.

He said: "Both Ian and I had been working on the doors at pubs and clubs for a few years, and we just kind of felt that Northampton didn't really have a respectable place for the more mature clientele to go and have a drink in peace."

"Also, working on the doors, we got fed up with a certain type of client. So in June, we thought let's set up our own bar and create somewhere that is a bit more respectable and well-mannered."

Aiming to 'fill a niche in the market', Adam says the trio will be 'rotating' the pub's drinks offering every week, so that regulars can 'come in every week and never have the same thing



TURNING THE CLOCK BACK: Adam Case, 26, from Bugbrooke (left) and Ian Tompkins, 40, from Kingsthorpe (right), will both be running the bar alongside Terry Steers

twice'. They will be offering six ales, one continental cider, a house white wine, a house red wine, soft drinks and tea and coffee.

The brands of alcoholic drinks will change each time a barrel runs dry.

The interior of the Ale House will feature a log fire, tables and chairs and wooden floorboards.

In the long term, the

owners hope to open up the basement so the pub stretches over two floors.

Looking ahead to the opening, Adam said: "I am more excited than I could possibly put into words."

"We had a vision in June, put figures to paper etc and had an idea of where we wanted to go in terms of decorating."

"But in all honesty every time we put something

down that we thought of originally, it didn't work and we ended up going to the opposite end of the scale!"

"It's almost as if the pub is telling us what it wants itself - it has developed its own character and now we're just going along with it."

"We can't wait to open." To keep up-to-date with the progress of the bar, you can visit the St Giles Ale House Facebook page.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

OAPs
attacked

An elderly couple were assaulted in an attempted robbery in Daventry last Sunday.

The 69-year-old woman and 70-year-old man were walking home near Shakleton Drive when three men attacked the man and stole his bag. They also assaulted the woman.

Both victims sustained injuries to the head.

Arson
attacks

Police are appealing for witnesses after two incidents of arson at homes in Northampton.

The first saw a car set alight at a house in Barnfield Close, Kingsthorpe, on September 28, and the second saw the door and porch of a property in Scholars Court set on fire on October 6.

Assault
on man

A man was assaulted while walking with his friend down Abington Street in Northampton.

The victim, a 35-year-old man, was walking with a friend towards Abington Square when an unknown man punched him, causing him to fall. The incident happened on September 10.

Victim
chased

A man was chased, punched and robbed in Northampton town centre in the early hours of last Saturday. The incident happened at 12.15am, when a man in a group of five chased the victim to Market Square, punched him and stole his wallet, before running towards Moon on the Square pub.

Leader of council quits in pub row



RESIGNED: Mary Markham has quit after just over a year in her position

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER
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The leader of Northampton Borough Council has quit her position following a row with colleagues over the future of a pub in the town.

Mary Markham made the shock announcement during a heated meeting with her cabinet members at the Guildhall last Friday night.

She told the Northants Herald and Post she would be starting the formal process of her resignation on Monday, but will remain as a councillor.

Mrs Markham, who has the leader of the Conservative-led authority since 2015, said the row was over the future of the Barn Owl in Rectory Farm.

Plans had been approved for the empty pub to be turned into a Co-op store, but a legal clause states it can only remain as a public house.

The authority had then planned to amend the clause at a meeting on Wednesday to allow for the plans - which local residents are against - to go ahead.

But at a Conservative group meeting last Friday, five of the eight cabinet members said they don't want to change the clause - which Mrs Markham strongly disagreed with.

She claims if the clause remained, the current owners of the site would mount a legal challenge against the council - which could result the authority losing £200,000.

Mrs Markham told the Northants Herald and Post: "I understand how the public feel (about the plans), but I couldn't take the risk - because I see my job as leader, me being responsible and the person who is answerable for the public purse.

"I can't justify taking that risk of

£200,000 of public money when I've spent the last 18 months trying to resolve the money that has already gone missing (£10.25 million loan to Northampton Town Football Club).

"I was committed and I did the job while the cabinet felt that I was the right person to do the job. But they felt this was more important to them, and that they needed me to sacrifice my principles and the commitment that I give to the people of Northampton to protect the public purse.

"Well, that was a step too far and something I wasn't prepared to do."

Mrs Markham says she will remain as a councillor of Park ward, adding: "I appreciate the help and support and I have enjoyed working with the many businesses and organisations. I'll continue as a councillor to represent the people of Northampton."

Following the news, the leader of the opposition Labour group on Northampton Borough Council told the BBC she was 'quite sad' that Mrs Markham was resigning as leader of the authority, saying that although she 'often' didn't agree with her, the councillor was a 'very effective leader'.

She agreed that the Barn Owl pub should be 'retained for community use' but that the cabinet 'should take seriously' the threat of a court case.

She also said they all should have 'talked through all the issues' before it came to a head. The borough councillor for Rectory Farm, Conservative James Hill, who had campaigned to keep the covenant on the Barn Owl pub, also said he 'very sad' about Mrs Markham's decision, but added that the covenant on the pub was 'an issue that is bigger than Rectory Farm'.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Woman in hit and run

A woman was left injured in a hit-and-run in Weedon Road, Northampton, last Friday afternoon.

The woman was crossing the road near to Argos, at about 5pm, when the collision with a blue car, possibly a Toyota, took place.

The driver, a black man aged 30 to 40, failed to stop and made off towards the town centre.

Plenty of spaces

Work to expand the number of car parking spaces at Towcester Centre for Leisure has now been completed.

The expansion includes 23 additional parking bays for motorists.

For more information on the centre visit www.leisurecentre.com/towcester-centre-for-leisure

Timeline is growing

Two new storey blocks will be added to Kettering's Timeline at Market Place tomorrow, Friday.

They will mark the Anglian Regiment's Freedom of the Borough and the opening of the first Kettering Industrial Co-op Society Shop in 1866.

Topping the list

Household recycling and food garden waste collections are the most important service for residents in South Northants.

A survey sent to 3,559 households were returned and food and garden waste top the list of residents priorities of the services the council provides to all households.

Postbox explodes in county village



NOT FUNNY: Police suspect the offenders' motivation was to play a prank

A bomb disposal team was scrambled to a Northamptonshire town after a Royal Mail postbox exploded.

The experts were

called to Raunds last Wednesday night after the incident, which took place at the junction of Dryden Street and London Road.

After investigations, it was believed a small explosive device - suspected to be a firework - had been placed inside the red postbox.

NGH parking charges one of highest

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER
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Patients at Northampton General Hospital are paying some of the highest parking prices in England, new figures have revealed.

The cost to park at NGH is the sixth highest in the country, with patients and visitors forced to fork out £3.10 for a one-hour visit (price for 0-3 hours).

This is higher than the The Royal Free Hospital in London (at £3), while the most expensive is the Royal Surrey County Hospital where it costs £4.

These prices have been revealed this week as part of a Freedom of Information request by the Press Association.

Analysis of the data also suggests there has been a 15 per cent average rise in charges across a third of trusts in England between 2014 and 2016.

At the other end of the scale, car parking at Trafford General Hospital in Greater Manchester is free for up to three hours.

Some trusts allow patients and visitors to park for free for the first 30 minutes before charges start.

But others have scrapped cheaper charges for short stays, meaning people have to pay a flat fee covering up to three hours



EXPENSIVE: Costly parking at NGH

even if they are only staying for 45 minutes.

Responding to the figures, a spokesperson for Northampton General Hospital said: "Revenue from our park avoids money being taken out of patient care budgets to help cover the costs of ongoing maintenance of car parks barriers, road infrastructure and resurfacing, signage and lease costs. It also covers the costs of installation, replacement and maintenance of CCTV across the hospital site as well as the hospital's security team and travel office staff."

"Our car parking charges are broadly in line with the borough council's car park costs, in order to discourage shoppers from using spaces at the hospital - which, unlike many hospitals across the country, is on a town centre site."

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Lip Gloss



The newest member of the office team at Northampton's Deco Theatre is Nathalie Bradbury who joined at the start of the month.

Her 'must have' is lip gloss.
She said: "If you've got lip gloss you're ready to face the world - simple as, and I never go anywhere without mine!"

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@NP_SC3468

Welcome to our regular feature where we invite people to tell us who we should follow on Twitter and why.

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SPS 3468, a Northants Police officer, tweeted: "Because I'll tweet live from the street with car seizures, arrests, pictures, safety campaign information and anything roads!"

BLOGGER OF THE WEEK

Clean up the alleyways

**Cllr Rufia
Ashraf**

This week's Blogger of the Week is Cllr Rufia Ashraf, (Labour), who represents the St James ward on Northampton Borough Council



Alleyways have become a huge problem and liability in the town.

I cannot believe how much flytipping I come across in St James on street corners and in alleyways. While we all want clean and tidy environments we seem to be wasting time going round and round in circles.

Once alleyways served a purpose and were used for picking up refuse, but since the early 1980s the council abandoned the use of alleyways and since then no-one is keen to take responsibility for them.

In the past couple of years I have seen an increase in flytipping and frankly I'm fed up of reporting flytipping, expecting a quick response from the council. I can appreciate why many residents are confused when the council state they have no responsibility for alleyways as they are often private land owned by residents. However, after pressure, the council then remove flytipping from alleyways and this has left residents confused.

I have been working very closely with the Neighbourhood Warden

arranging removal of flytipping from alleyways. There is an alleyway in St James which is the very worst.

This is where a number of people, maybe landlords, had a clear out and dumped a huge amount of household furniture with no due care for others. I have been informed by the council that this flytipping is not being removed as there are concerns over syringes amongst the furniture. Soon the rubbish will attract rats and other vermin and become a health hazard.

There are a number of contributing factors: we have too many Houses in Multiple Occupation, HMOs; people don't want to pay £28 for the Borough to collect bulky waste; many residents are unaware of recycling centre opening times and some households do not have cars and so cannot get to the recycling centres.

We need behaviours to change. Residents who look after their environment should not have to put up with this.

I am carrying out a survey online please take part at <https://freeonlinesurveys.com/s/LiTSKrSg#/>

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Your views

Northampton General Hospital should have 'short-stay parking'

This week the Northants Herald & Post reported that parking charges at Northampton General Hospital are the sixth highest in England (p11).

Here's how our readers reacted to the news on our Facebook page:

JENNY SIBLEY: The charges are ridiculous and it should be made clear that none of the money collected by the private contractors who ticket people with Parking Charge Notices goes back to the hospital.

MICHELLE LOCKWOOD: They need to do a short stay charge, I had to pay £3.10 to pick someone up from the departure lounge. I know there is a 30 min parking there but all spaces were taken. But only three patients on the departure ward? They need more spaces.



GEMMA RUST: They could do a short stay charge. I had to take my son to an appointment, we were there for about 30 mins had to pay for three hours parking.

LORRAINE BOX: Yes it's ridiculous. And when you have to go

it's to visit someone or your hurt and the last thing you have on your mind is thinking about money for parking, how much change you will need, you don't need the extra worry.

PAULINE BURROWS: Was there on Thursday for a check up for my cancer. Didn't know they had put another 10p on the charges and therefore had to put in £4 no change given on these machines. I was back in my car in 10 minutes flat!

MARY PINDER: It's disgusting wouldn't be so bad if the hospital got the money.

JUDE RUST: It's ridiculous. Its not like you want to be there, when you go it's a necessity, not a jolly day out. It's taking advantage of people. I occasionally drop toys my kids have grown out of to the children's wards and I have to pay to do so! I wouldn't mind a small charge. When you have a relative in long term, you end up spending a fortune. Wrong!

Lunchtime Life

Everyday life's little curiosities snapped this week. Send yours to news@hpnorthants.co.uk



Thorpe Malsor: Here is All Saints Church in the village



Thorpe Malsor: This is a snap from the porch of the church



Thorpe Malsor: Best extension award given by Kettering Council

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Mobility scooter service to close

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER
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A mobility scooter hire service is to close down for good, despite desperate attempts to keep it going amid a lack of funding.

NorthamptonShopmobility, based in the town centre, which hires out wheelchairs and scooters for £3 a use, will close next Saturday following an extensive review.

It had cost £40,000 a year to operate the service, but since Northampton Borough Council cut its funding from £11,000 to £8,000 earlier this year, it has been under threat of closure.

This came a year after the local authority had already reduced the funding - provided by its Partnership Grant Fund - from £22,000 to £11,000.

A spokesperson for the service, which is based at the Mayorhold car park, said desperate attempts had been made to keep it afloat.

The scheme had looked at 'offering to transfer the service to another organisation, support to obtain



CLOSING: Disabled shoppers in Northampton pay price for cuts

additional funding, increasing daily hire charges and creating a greater awareness of the scheme to increase the amount of hires of the underutilised equipment', but to no avail.

Sam Towell, the chairman of trustees of the Northampton Door to Door Service, which operates the Shopmobility service, said: "We would like to thank our loyal and dedicated team of volunteers and staff who

have managed the scheme over the many years it has operated in the town centre.

"We find it very sad and disappointing that we have been unable to save the scheme and fully understand the impact this is going to have on all of the users of the scheme who will no longer be able to access the town centre and go to Northampton General Hospital for out-patient appointments."

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'Time to act'



BLACKSPOT: The scene of the latest collision as the car hit Michael Solesbury's house

BY LAWRENCE JOHN
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A resident whose house was hit by a car in the early hours of Saturday morning has claimed 'someone will be killed as a result of this roundabout' if nothing is done to protect pedestrians.

The roundabout in question is along Great Billing Way in Northampton, near to Little Billing and very close to Michael Solesbury's house in Swinford Hollow.

Mr Solesbury, who has been at the address for two years, said this was the fourth collision in three years and is now calling for a motorway-style crash barrier to be placed around the roundabout.

He feels this is the only way to stop anyone being killed if another crash happens at this location.

The latest incident occurred in the early hours of Saturday morning when a car skidded through a fence and embedded itself in the wall of the

house. Mr Solesbury said: "This has been the fourth accident in three years and the third time damage has been caused to this property, but this is by far the worst damage."

"This roundabout is near a direct footpath which takes children to school and people to church and people are walking along here all day."

"I fear someone will be killed if another accident happens."

"There needs to be protection around this roundabout like a motorway crash barrier. At least if a car hit this barrier it would stop it heading towards the path."

"I just fear someone will be killed in future."

"There used to be a metal fence but that was so badly fitted it fell down."

"And now there is only this fence which has been smashed."

"If cars are speeding there is an adverse camber here so they end up clipping the

roundabout. This time the car which hit my house has caused a lot of damage."

Now Mr Solesbury is calling for action.

He added: "You can see there is no real protection on or off the roundabout to protect the general public."

"There needs to be protection to stop or avoid the possibility of a death to a member of the general public."

"This could be a child or a family innocently walking to or from school or to the nearby church."

"The council does have a duty of care in these circumstances."

"A proper motorway armco around the footpath and the roundabout would protect the general public and the properties near the roundabout."

"This is the fourth incident at this location in three years where damage has occurred to privately owned properties along with council owned street furnishings."

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The case of... something's not cutting the mustard in life



There are many things in life which don't 'cut the mustard'.

They never live up to or meet expectations. The latest being the Samsung Galaxy Note 7, which bursts into flames without warning.

If I was a conspiracy theorist, I would put it down to alien technology in the phones.

I smell an X File call for Mulder or Scully - but use a headline - you might find it safer until the fault is fixed.

Something else I found which was not was not 'cutting the mustard', was in an article I read this week, which said solar panels spend 30 weeks every year lying idle.

I guess they are the equivalent of the romantic poets all indolence and sloth, waiting for the muse to give them inspiration or the sun to warm them up.

There was also the case of

Lawrence John

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Radio 1 not 'cutting the mustard', which while losing seven producers and a clutch of DJs in the last two years has also managed to lose two million listeners.

'Cutting the mustard' has not been a problem for hip hop artists as their favourite is Grey Poupon Dijon mustard.

Artists from Kanye West to Ghostface Killah and hip-hop duo Das EFX have been spreading the news about their favourite mustard for years.

In an article I read there are

references to the mustard splattered throughout hip hop songs. Kanye West wrote: "Yeezy, Yeezy, Yeezy, this is pure luxury. I give 'em grey Poupon on a DJ mustard ah!"

Sometimes you can find a strange connection in the strangest of places.

I read an article about former President Nixon who found friendship with Jae Kwon Lee, the proprietor of a South Korean delicatessen in New York.

In one of his quotes he said: "He opened up China, he did big things."

This link between Nixon and China made me immediately think of a quote from Star Trek VI: The Undiscovered Country.

It is when Captain Spock quotes an old Vulcan proverb stating: "Only Nixon could go to China."

It's a link Jim, but not as we know it.



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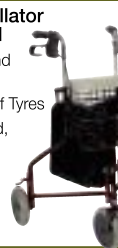


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Shoe-making one

BY LAWRENCE JOHN

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Blackpool is famous for making the legendary Blackpool Rock while Northampton is famous for making shoes.

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This quality can be seen on a daily basis at Tricker's factory in St Michael's Road, Northampton, where I was given a guided tour.

Starting on the top floor I saw the lasts of those who had ordered and bought bespoke made shoes in the past 25 years.

Each pair of bespoke shoes made by Tricker's can cost £1,500 and each last, which is individually made for each customer, costs £200.

One of the artisans who make the bespoke shoes is Kevin Trill.

Kevin, who will have been with Tricker's for four years in May, is an apprentice.

He said: "I started out doing repairs then went onto the sewing and now I am



learning how to last shoes.

"Making bespoke shoes means I am part of the company's heritage and I understand what I am creating means to each customer. "I see the letters they send us thanking us for making their shoes."

The next room on the tour was the clicking room.

This is where the leather is cut into the shapes needed for each boot or shoe. It is a skilled job as each clicker needs to use as much of the skin as possible and not waste any. They do not just cut leather but cut ostrich,

stingray, crocodile and snake skins. A bespoke pair of crocodile skin shoes will set you back £4,000.

Next we moved into the closing room this is the area where the ladies sew the pieces of leather together to form the uppers.

These are then sent to the lasting room where all the uppers are closed by putting team on a last to fit the correct foot size.

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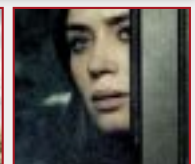
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Winning in Welly

Businesses "winning in Wellingborough" were crowned at the borough's inaugural commercial awards.

The accolades were handed out at the Wellingborough Chamber of Commerce Business Award 2016/17 ceremony held at Wellingborough Golf Club, Great Harrowden..

Hampton Steel, of Sanders Road, secured first place in the Manufacturing Business of the Year, Dufeu IT Solutions Ltd, of The Old Pump Station on Furnace Lane in Finedon, triumphed in the services category, Fab Footwear, of Nene Court, was



the Retail Business of the Year winner.

There were dozens of entries this year and membership to the Chamber was not needed to submit a competition application.

Big cash boost for CAB

The Citizens Advice Bureau has received a cash boost of more than £120,000 to help support the delivery of advice services across the district split over the next two years.

South Northamptonshire Council has awarded the CAB North Oxfordshire and South Northamptonshire (Citizens

Advice NOSN) with a £120,000 Community Grant to help them deliver general advice services, which is currently delivered by 16 staff and 77 volunteers.

Over 3,000 issues from residents in South Northamptonshire were dealt with last year.

Robin Ince wins UoN Crick prize

BY STEVE SCOLES
news@hpnorthants.co.uk

Comedian Robin Ince ad-libbed a 45 minute speech at the University of Northampton about the wonders of science.

The co-presenter of Radio Four's Infinite Monkey Cage alongside Dr Brian Cox was accepting the Crick Science Award from UoN for his contribution to popularising science.

He told the gathering of students and lecturers that he had been preparing notes for his speech on cards but had lost them somewhere between the



canteen and the Grand Hall of the Newton building on St George's Avenue. Nevertheless he maintained an unbroken flow of entertaining anecdotes and argument about the importance of science being popular and how useful the 'scientific meth-

od' of analysis is in everyday life.

He said: "One hundred per cent accuracy is not available. Science might not tell you what's right but it can tell what is least wrong."

"We need to maintain a healthy scepticism because the history of the mass media is that it is sometimes wrong."

"We have to find the right method of luring people to the better – least wrong – version of events."

See video clips and read more about Robin Ince at the university on our website.

Standing up to cancer at the salon

A Weston Favell salon is turning outrageously orange, tomorrow, Friday in support of Stand Up To Cancer.

Staff at Supercuts in Weston Favell Shopping Centre will don orange outfits and spectacular wigs, as they invite guests to get involved in raising money and awareness for the cancer charity.



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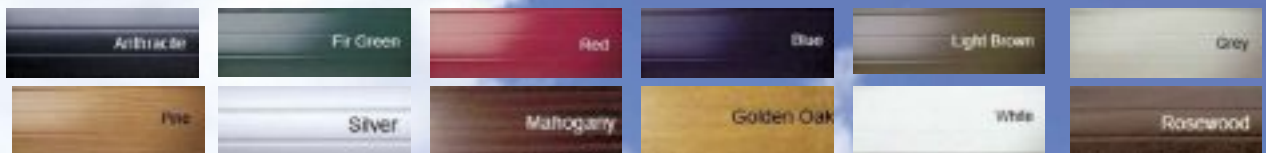
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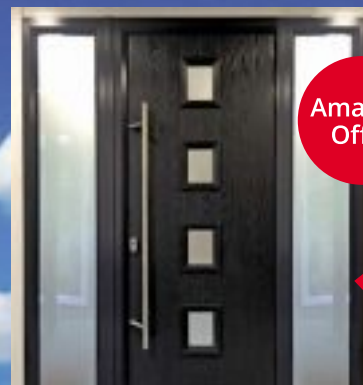
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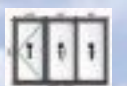


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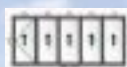
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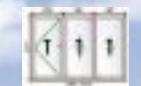
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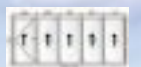
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Home to very successful folk

FOLK-rock band Mumford and Sons' second studio album, *Babel*, has so far been their most successful topping the charts in both the UK and the US last year and selling over two million copies. It has also been the UK's fastest-selling rock album of the decade so far.

The band has come a long way since it formed in 2007. It now has three hugely successful albums under its belt, is internationally successful and has been given several gongs including a Brit and six Grammy Awards.

Mumford & Sons has also headlined at Glastonbury and its key members are collectively said to be worth £54 million, while founding musician Marcus Mumford recently married actress Carey Mulligan.

Not bad for a bunch of former students from SW London.

For the album cover of *Babel* the four founders – Marcus Mumford, Ben Lovett, Winston Marshall and Ted Dwane – all



chose to pose in Charles Baker Place, a former industrial site in Wandsworth, SW London.

But the band might not recognise it now. Developer Chester Row has moved in and is renovating the existing Victorian buildings and constructing new homes as well.

Dedicated Mumford & Sons fans can snap up the properties

now for sale including three-bedroom cottages, four-bedroom mews houses and five-bedroom townhouses.

Prices at the development start at £1.175m and rise to £2.7m for the larger properties.

■ **More information from** www.charlesbakerplace.com **or agent Knight Frank on 0208 682 7777.**

It's got a nice landing

EDDIE the Eagle is the only British Olympic competitor to find fame and fortune from coming last in his chosen sport.

His persistence and hard work at mastering ski jumping during the run up to the 1988 Calgary Olympics, and subsequent plucky performance during two competitions, garnered Edwards millions of fans back at home and across the world.

But there's more to Eddie than meets the eye. Although he's a source of amusement here, before he took up jumping Edwards narrowly missed getting into the national downhill squad and is taken seriously in his adopted homes of Finland and Canada.

He's also recently been working in TV, including commentating on Channel 4's reality TV programme *The Jump* and also participating in a similar ITV programme called *Splash* with Tom Daley.

And this year a film based



loosely on his Olympic story was released starring Taron Egerton and Hugh Jackman. Some of the scenes portraying Eddie's earlier life in Britain were filmed on a street in Harlsden, North London that has become a regular location for movie and music video makers.

As well Eddie the Eagle, Stephenson Street has featured

in 1965 movie *The Ipcress File* starring Michael Caine, 2002 TV drama series *Foyle's War*, and the 1982 video for Madness's chart topper *Our House*.

■ **A home is now for sale on** Stephenson Street with agent emooov (03339 392719) for £595,000. A recently-renovated two-bedroom terraced house with a garden at the rear.



Gore's Italian cliff-hanger

Author, screenplay writer, intellectual and activist Gore Vidal was no stranger to controversy. He locked horns with actor Charlton Heston over his script for 1959 epic *Ben Hur* and courted controversy with his 1948 novel *The City and the Pillars*, which tackled homosexuality head on during a period of extreme conservatism.

He was also famous for his public and often violent spats with other leading American writers including Truman Capote and Norman Mailer.

Such notoriety persuaded Vidal to leave the US during the 1960s and move to Italy where he continued to work as a writer and screen player.

His home in Italy was *La Rondinaia*, a villa originally built for an English banker in the 1930s. It clings to the



vertiginous Amalfi Coast in the region of Salerno, a strip of mountainous coastline that's both a UNESCO World Heritage Site and a hugely popular tourist destination, particularly among Americans.

Vidal lived with his partner Howard Austen at *La Rondinaia* for thirty years and entertained many of Hollywood's then A-listers including Lauren Bacall, Paul Newman, Susan Sarandon and even Hilary Clinton, before ill health forced

him to return to America.

His footprint can still be seen at the property. He installed its pool from which bathers can enjoy panoramic views of the coast.

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Home where Johnny went wild

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The programme revolved around Morris being the uniformed and peak-capped 'keeper' and engaging in comic dialogue with animals from Bristol Zoo, whom he also voiced.

His style of TV presenting eventually fell out of fashion and the show was axed, but for many children who watched TV during its three-decade run, Morris introduced the natural world to them in an accessible and entertaining way.

His broadcasting story started in the Wiltshire village of



Aldbourne near Marlborough. He lived in the village as a young man and used to tell stories in the local pub. During one beery session he was spotted by visiting BBC producer Desmond Hawkins who hired Morris on the spot.

He used Morris initially as a radio storyteller before moving him on to TV roles but, despite his later national appeal, Morris lived in Aldbourne all his life with wife Eileen, first in a small

cottage and later in Pond House on The Square.

He died in 1999 following complications from diabetes.

His former home is now for sale. It has been substantially renovated since Morris lived there and the 18th century Grade II listed semi has four bedrooms and overlooks a duck pond.

■ It is for sale through agent Humberts (01672 519 222) for £560,000.

Scene of Luther's lofty finale

FOR FANS of TV crime drama Luther starring Idris Elba and Ruth Wilson the finale of the third series came to a climactic ending on a rooftop as Luther, Tom Marwood, Mary Day and Alice Morgan engaged in a mildly silly armed standoff.

The scene was designed to illustrate the troubled and violent detective's moral dilemma in the flesh; was he ultimately a good or a bad person?

Such ethical undercurrents have helped make John Luther's character and the series a huge hit both in the UK and in the US since it first aired in 2010, featuring gritty plots set against shadowy backdrops.

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Boothville £355,000

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Duston £200,000

01604 755757



An improved family home positioned in a quite cul-de-sac in the ever popular area of Duston. The accommodation comprises entrance porch, entrance hall, WC, sitting room, kitchen/dining/family area, three bedrooms and a family bathroom, and off road parking. Viewing is highly recommended.

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Ravensthorpe £385,000

01327 842093



A beautifully presented individual four bedroom detached house situated in the lovely village of Ravensthorpe. Comprises hall, cloakroom, lounge, conservatory, dining room, study, kitchen, master bedroom with dressing room and en-suite, a further three bedrooms and a bathroom.

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St James £145,000

01604 633122

NEW

This two bedroom Victorian terrace in need of some modernisation and in brief comprises of a separate lounge and dining room, and kitchen to the ground floor. Upstairs offers two double bedrooms and a three piece bathroom. There is uPVC double glazing throughout and gas radiator heating, with an enclosed garden including gated access to the rear. No chain.

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Lumbertubs £149,995

01604 784990



A rarely available four bedroom end of terrace with both side and rear gardens. The generous accommodation comprises: entrance hall, 16'2x15'3 lounge, separate dining room, kitchen, lobby and downstairs WC. On the first floor there are four bedrooms and the family bathroom. Windows and doors are double glazed (where specified) and the heating is via gas warm air. Front and rear gardens complete its features.

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Abington Guide Price £180,000

01604 231111

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A newly converted and fully refurbished two bedroom property with double garage, located a short walk from Abington Park. Boasting a refitted kitchen-diner, cloakroom and bathroom in addition to new electrics, windows, doors and heating system. Early viewing is advised.

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Whitehills £249,999

01604 722197



A very well presented three bedroom detached bungalow. Entrance hall, spacious lounge, kitchen, master bedroom, shower room, two further bedrooms and conservatory. Outside you have off road parking, garage with power and lighting, a courtyard rear garden, and beautifully kept front and side gardens enclosed via a hedgerow.

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Spinney Hill £254,995

01604 715000



An extended three bed semi detached family home. Benefits include UPVC double glazing, gas radiator central heating, enclosed front and rear gardens and a single garage. The accommodation comprises entrance porch, entrance hall, lounge, family room and open plan extended kitchen/dining room. Upstairs are three bedrooms and a family bathroom.

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Camp Hill £140,000**NEW**

01604 633122



A three bedroom terraced home offered in good condition. Comprises a lounge, kitchen/diner and a cloakroom to the ground floor, with three bedrooms to the first floor, including two double rooms and one single, and a family bathroom. Outside offers a well tended garden to the rear which is largely laid to lawn, and offers gated rear access.

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Weston Favell £179,995**NEW**

01604 231111



Offered for sale with no onward chain is this two bedroom stone fronted semi detached property, situated in Weston Favell village. The property benefits from double glazing throughout, gas radiator heating and large lawned rear garden, early viewing is advised. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, rear lobby, cloakroom/WC, two bedrooms and family.

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The Mounts £150,000**NEW**

01604 633122



A three bedroom Victorian terrace in need of some modernisation and offered with no upper chain. Accommodation comprises of lounge/diner, kitchen, rear lobby and bathroom to the ground floor. Cellar to basement and three bedrooms to the first floor. Gas heating and UPVC double glazing where specified.

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Spinney Hill £379,995**NEW**

01604 715000



A double bay fronted four bedroom detached family home comprising entrance porch, entrance hall, lounge/dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, WC and utility room to the ground floor. Upstairs are four bedrooms and a large family bathroom. The property benefits from uPVC double glazing and gas radiator heating.

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Kingsthorpe £250,000**NEW**

01604 722197



A three bedroom semi detached family home comprising entrance porch, entrance hall, lounge/diner, kitchen, utility room and WC. To the first floor is three bedrooms and a refitted bathroom suite. To the rear of the property is a patio area leading to the lawned side garden with patio leading to the front where there is off road parking for at least two cars and a garage.

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Thorplands Brook £139,995

01604 784990



A beautifully presented three bedroom mid terrace property with double glazed windows and doors, front and rear gardens and gas radiator heating. All three bedrooms are generous in size (no box room) and the through lounge/diner measures 21'9 x 11'0.

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Roads £179,995**NEW**

01604 862442



An extended two bedroom semi-detached property situated in a cul-de-sac in the popular village of Roads. The accommodation comprises; entrance hall, living room, dining room, kitchen and on the first floor there are two double bedrooms and the bathroom. To the outside this property offers a front and rear garden along with an allocated parking space. EPC: tbc.

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Duston £179,995**NEW**

01604 755757



A two bedroom semi detached bungalow, situated in a quiet cul-de-sac location. Lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms and shower room. Externally the property has block paved parking for two cars and driveway allowing further parking, leading to a single garage. The garden to the rear is easy to maintain and mainly laid to gravel with paving areas and raised borders.

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Milton Malsor £225,000**NEW**

01604 862442



A much improved and deceptively spacious two double bed roomed 19th Century cottage, which was formerly the local store for the adjoining bakery. Entrance hall, living room, dining room, kitchen and bathroom, and to the first floor are two double bedrooms. The property combines period features with a contemporary finish and benefits from UPVC double glazing, and gas radiator heating.

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St James £150,000**NEW**

01604 633122



This wonderful two bedroom first floor apartment. The home is offered in excellent condition and is positioned in such a way as to offer more privacy than the average apartment. In brief, the home offers a lounge/dining room with balcony, kitchen, two bedrooms and a bathroom. Outside offers an allocated parking space.

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Kingsthorpe OIRO £199,999

01604 722197



A well presented two bedroom semi detached bungalow situated on a corner plot. Entrance hall, lounge, dining room, bedroom two, refitted bathroom, kitchen, conservatory. To the first floor is the master bedroom. Outside is off road parking and access to the garage, the rear garden is nicely enclosed. Benefits from UPVC double glazed windows and doors (where specified) and gas radiator heating.

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Duston £389,500

01604 755757



A rarely available style of detached bungalow occupying a generous plot comprising entrance hall, spacious living / dining room, refitted kitchen/breakfast room, three double bedrooms (with an en-suite to the master), rear lobby and a refitted family bathroom. Externally the bungalow's ample frontage provides off road parking for multiple vehicles, while the rear garden stretches to approximately 200 feet. Detached garage. Benefits include UPVC double glazing and gas radiator heating.

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Westone £275,000

01604 784990



A rare opportunity to acquire this deceptively spacious three bed semi detached property. The property requires updating and is offered for sale with no onward chain. Further benefits include off road parking, front and rear gardens and a reasonably new central heating system.

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Long Buckby £285,000**NEW PRICE**

01327 842093



An extended three bedroom detached bungalow situated on a quiet cul-de-sac. It has a porch, hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms with fitted furniture and a bathroom. Outside is a drive plus extra parking, garage with adjoining workshop and a low maintenance west facing garden. No upward chain. UPVC double glazing and radiator heating.

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Sywell £255,000

01604 494600



Situated at the end of a cul de sac in the popular Sywell Village is this extended three bedroom semi detached house. This well presented home boasts a two story extension creating large open plan kitchen diner and large master bedroom with views onto Sywell Aerodrome.

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Buckingham Fields £208,500**NEW**

01604 633122



An immaculate three bedroom home built by 'David Wilson' and boasting many improvements by the current owner. Features include refitted kitchen, refitted shower-room, cul-de-sac location, fitted wardrobes in bedroom one and NO ONWARD CHAIN.

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Kingsley £176,000**NEW PRICE**

01604 715000



A beautifully well maintained family home. The property property benefits from uPVC double glazing and gas radiator heating. Lounge, kitchen/diner and bathroom to the ground floor. Upstairs are three double bedrooms. Outside is a block paved front and to the rear is a well stocked landscaped garden.

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Kingsthorpe £185,000**NEW**

01604 722197



A two bedroom bungalow situated in this sought after area of Kingsthorpe. Accommodation comprises; entrance hallway with doors leading to - kitchen, living room, family bathroom and two bedrooms. The front of the property has a shingled driveway. The property further benefits from UPVC double glazed doors and windows where specified and gas radiator heating.

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Overstone £249,995**NEW**

01604 494600



Offered for sale with no onward chain is this three bedroom detached bungalow in the popular village of Overstone. The bungalow has been extended to the rear creating a large kitchen dining room. Further benefits include modern bathroom suite, private rear garden, block paved driveway and garage.

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Long Buckby £205,000

01327 842093



A semi-detached two bedroom bungalow situated in a quite cul-de-sac. This smart, well presented property has been extended and improved to include replacement UPVC double glazed windows, radiator heating, refitted kitchen and bathroom plus a driveway for three vehicles and a landscaped rear garden. It has a large lounge, kitchen and utility room, two double bedrooms and a bathroom.

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Kislingbury £229,995**NEW**

01604 755757



A mature semi detached family home offered to the market with no upper chain. Entrance porch, cloakroom, sitting room, dining room kitchen and a store room, three first floor bedrooms and a bathroom. Externally the property offers a generous frontage, with off road parking and attractive garden areas.

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Thorplands £139,995

01604 784990



A three bedroom mid terrace property offered for sale with no onward chain. The property has been painted throughout and has had new carpets fitted also. The accommodation comprises; entrance hall, WC, lounge/dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms and bathroom. All windows and doors are double glazed and the heating is via gas warm air. Front and rear gardens complete its features.

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Abington £199,995**NEW**

01604 231111



A spacious three bedroom home. The property benefits from a 13ft conservatory addition, two further reception rooms, large South facing rear garden and a single garage. Early viewing is advised. Entrance hall, lounge, dining room with arch to conservatory, fitted kitchen, three bedrooms, bathroom and separate WC.

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- Lounge / Diner
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- Front & Rear gardens
- Single Garage



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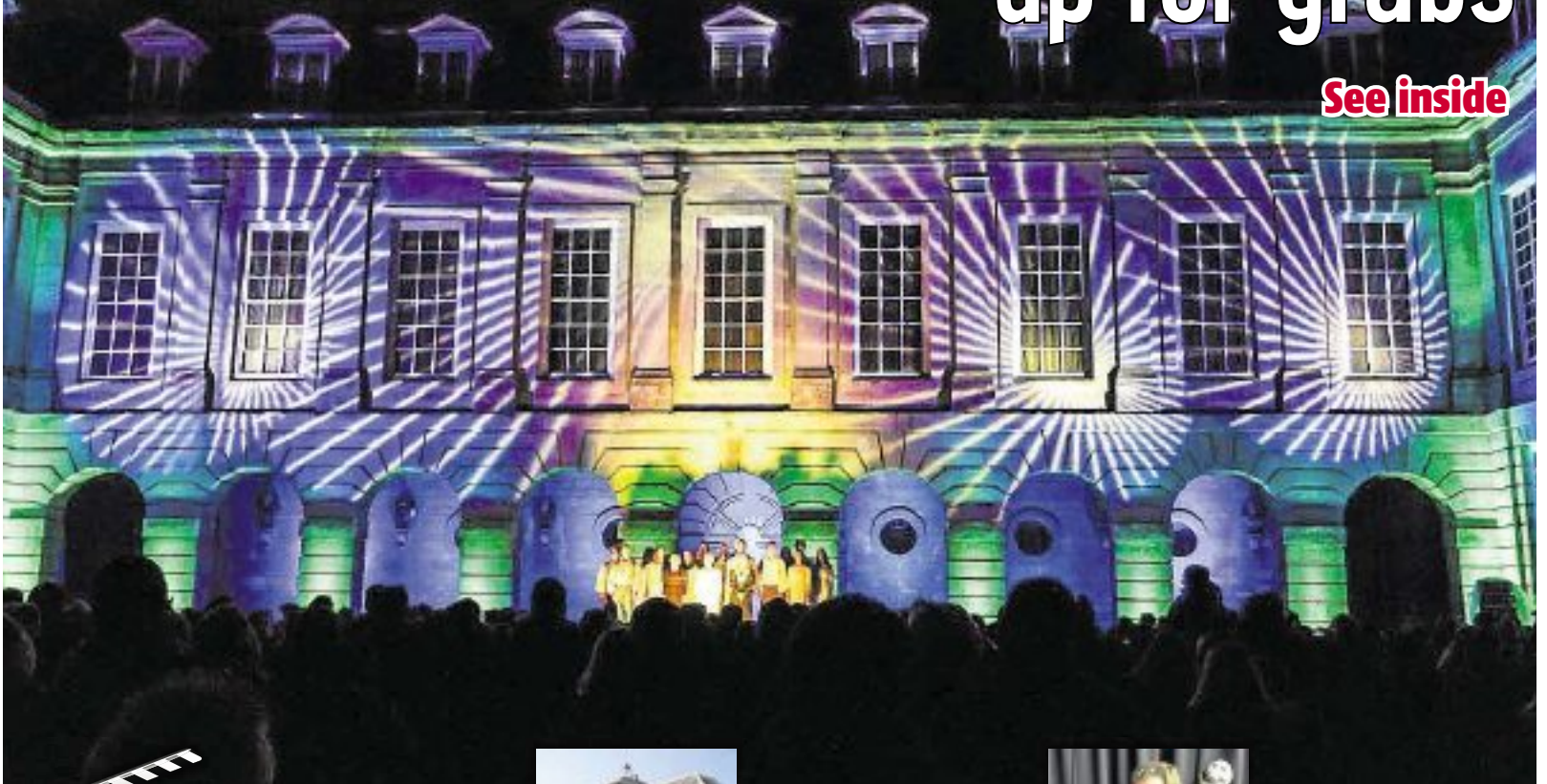
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WHAT'S ON ROUND-UP



History is back with a bang for Bonfire Night

BY LAWRENCE JOHN
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Remember, remember, The Gunpowder Plot is back with a bang this November - and you can win four tickets in our exclusive give-away.

The Northants Herald & Post has teamed with Boughton House and theatre company METRO-BOULOT-DODO to offer readers the chance to bag passes for themselves and three guests to the breathtaking show of projection, performance and pyrotechnics.

Perfect for all the family this November 4 and 5,

audiences will hear the thrilling story of Northamptonshire's infamous conspirators against the backdrop of beautiful Boughton House, the historic home of Bonfire Night.

Learn about Edward, First Lord Montagu of Boughton, who set in motion the tradition of celebration each year.

For your chance to scoop passes for this explosive event, just answer the following question:

What is Bonfire Night commonly known as?

- A) Guy Fawkes Night
B) Gunpowder Plot Night

We will tweet the question

from our Twitter account (@NorthamptonUK) today so tweet us your answer.

On November 4 gates open at 6.30pm, with the show starting at 7.30pm.

On November 5 gates open at 4pm for the tea-time performance with the show starting at 5pm and later that evening, the gates will open again at 7.30pm for an 8.30pm show.

Tickets are on sale online at thedeco.co.uk priced at £12.50 per adult and £9 for concessions.

For more information on events at Boughton House, visit boughtonhouse.co.uk.



County's arts cinema listings this week

BY NICHOLAS BIEBER
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Here are the listings for Northamptonshire arts cinemas this week:

Errol Flynn Filmhouse

■ Hell or High Water

Today

■ Bridget Jones's Baby

Today

■ Deepwater Horizon (pictured)

A dramatisation of the April 2010 disaster when the offshore drilling rig, Deepwater Horizon, exploded and created the worst oil spill in U.S. history.

Tomorrow, Tuesday and Wednesday

■ My Scientology Movie

Tomorrow

■ Swallows and Amazons

Saturday and Tuesday

■ The Red Shoes

Sunday

■ The Beatles: Eight Days a Week - The Touring Years

Sunday

■ Kubo and the Two Swings

Monday

■ The First Monday in May

Monday

■ Little Men

Monday and Wednesday

■ The Blue Room

Tuesday and Wednesday

To book tickets call the box office on 01604 624811.

Lings Forum

■ Swallows & Amazons

Friday-Wednesday

■ Free State of Jones

Friday-Wednesday

To book tickets call the box office on 01604 837300.

WHAT'S ON ROUND-UP

Grease is the word for this rock 'n' roll musical

Northampton Musical Theatre Company is returning to Royal & Derngate with the electrifying cult classic, Grease, from October 25 to 29.

The original American high school musical is packed with all the hit songs from the blockbuster 1978 film, including You're the One That I Want, Summer Nights, Hopelessly Devoted to You, Greased Lightnin' and many more.

Audiences are in for a rock 'n' rollin', hand-jivin' night out as they enjoy the exploits of the T-Birds and the Pink Ladies, and find out whether new girl Sandy and bad boy Danny can overcome their differences and rekindle their summer romance.

With a special 'dress up' night on October 28 audiences are invited to dust off their

leather jackets and fifties frocks, and join in the fun. Performances take place in the Derngate auditorium every evening at 7.30pm with a matinee at 2.30pm on the Saturday.

Tickets are priced from £10 to £22 with concession rates and group discounts available.

For more details or to book call the box office on 01604 624811 or visit royalallderngate.co.uk.

Established 118 years ago, the Northampton Musical Theatre Company, previously known as Northampton Amateur Operatic Company, are ten time winners of the 'Best Musical' Award from the East Midlands region of the National Operatic and Dramatic Association.



Masque Theatre ready to enjoy a Mindgame

BY LAWRENCE JOHN
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Masque Theatre are ready to serve up a conundrum and play a Mindgame with you in their latest play which will have you thinking hard until the very end.

Anthony Horowitz is better known for his TV series Foyle's War and Midsomer Murders but throughout his long career has produced work with a comic edge, Murder Most Horrid and Horowitz Horror to name just two.

Mindgame is a puzzle box of

a play that combines jet black comedy and macabre horror, which should keep audiences guessing till the very end 'game'.

It tells the story of writer of true crime fiction Mark Styler who is visiting 'Fairfields' Hospital to interview the notorious serial killer Easternman but Dr Farquhar, head of the hospital, seems unhelpful and quixotic. Styler finds the place hostile and unnerving.

The play will keep you glued to your seat with intrigue and game playing but always with the underlying jet black comedy that will catch you unawares.

Mindgame is at the Playhouse Theatre in Clare Street, Northampton until Saturday. Tickets are available from masque theatre.co.uk, 07586288793 or St Giles Music at 16 St Giles Terrace, Northampton.

Find out what's on
The best things to do in your spare time can be found at www.northampton-news-hp.co.uk

Halloween ghost hunt at Delapre Abbey

There will be some ghostly goings on at Delapre Abbey in Northampton this Halloween.

The Abbey will be running a ghost hunt in the gardens

on Friday, October 28 from 6pm-7pm. There will be spooky fun for all the family to enjoy. It costs £2.50 per person to take part.

Money raised from the

event will go towards the historic building's restoration project.

For information contact Delapre Abbey Preservation Trust on 01604 866711.

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FRIDAY

Wildlife TV presenter takes to Derngate stage

Join presenter, adventurer, naturalist and children's author, Steve Backshall, as he takes you on a tour of the real life expeditions that have inspired his books The Falcon Chronicles and his new novel in the series, Shark Seas. Get your wildlife questions ready too, as there will be plenty of opportunities during the show to quiz Steve. Tickets, at £20.50, can be booked at royalalndderngate.co.uk

SATURDAY

Michael Jackson tribute show at hotel

Get yourself to the Westone Manor Hotel in Northampton for an 'enthraling' Michael Jackson tribute show. The look-a-like/sound-a-like Michael Jackson tribute artist comes accompanied with a drummer and guitarist. Expect to see dazzling costumes, stunning choreography and the all the notorious MJ moves, get ready for a show which will rock your world. Tickets, at £20, can be booked by calling 01604 739955.

SUNDAY

Antiques fair at Wicksteed Park in Kettering

A bustling fair with a wide variety of stalls to suit every taste. Held in the Grand Pavilion at Wicksteed Park, this well attended fair - open from 9.30am to 4pm - makes a super day out. Entry £3 per person.

Annual craft fair in Potterspury village

A selection of 25 handcrafted stalls and a vintage tearoom serving homemade cakes. The free entry event runs from 11am-4pm at Potterspury Village Hall.



The Drunken Bakers

Viz comic strip The Drunken Bakers has been delighting readers with the unrelentingly bleak non-adventures of two alcoholic chefs for years. So The Good Loaf in Northampton was an ideal location for the strip's creator Barney Farmer to be interviewed by Alan Moore and to be tackled in a live scone-off during the interview.

The Northampton Arts Lab event also included an hour long film featuring the Drunken Bakers strips with voices and sound effects.

It was a unique night with a sense that anything could happen as Alan and Barney worked the dough for their scones side by side and reflected upon the business of telling stories with words and pictures. Funnily enough, the film was a tough watch - in a kind of nihilistic arthouse cinema epic kind of way - and Barney was endearingly honest about that. However the economy and discipline of the writing also shone through. Proceeds from the event will go towards the charity that runs The Good Loaf.

Oh, and Alan's scones won.

Steve Scoles

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Nissan GT-R NISMO breaks cover

By: Stewart Smith



THE flagship of the Nissan GT-R range – the GT-R NISMO – will go on sale from November 1, with a price in the UK of £149,995.

The high-performance race car for the road has power supplied from a twin-turbocharged 3.8-litre V6 delivering 600bhp – 30bhp more than any other car in the range.

The engine features a pair of high-flow, large diameter turbochargers used in GT3 motor racing

competition, and power is sent to all four wheels via a six-speed dual-clutch paddle shift gearbox.

Like the standard GT-R, the GT-R NISMO's front end features a new face with a dramatic new bumper.

However, for the NISMO it's made entirely from carbon fibre to reduce weight.

To help cool the car's high-output engine, the dark chrome V-motion

grille has been enlarged to collect more air.

The redesign has been shaped to improve airflow around the vehicle and generate a high level of downforce, while at the same time directing air around the wheels to improve the aerodynamics.

The GT-R NISMO generates more downforce than any other Nissan production car to date, to create high-speed stability.

The performance of the all-wheel-drive GT-R NISMO has also been upgraded, thanks in part to the standard model's significantly reinforced body structure. This allowed the engineering team to further refine the GT-R NISMO's shock absorbers, springs and stabilisers.

This upgrade results in the car's improved slalom times and superior cornering performance, both of which are nearly two per cent better than the previous version.

Despite its more potent nature, the new GT-R NISMO is said to have better overall balance than before, evolving into a car that can be enjoyed on regular roads as well as race circuits.

A more premium and sophisticated interior is one of the key enhancements to the new GT-R and the NISMO version is no exception.

The redesigned dashboard, steering wheel and centre armrest are covered with high-quality Alcantara leather. Unique to this version are the leather-covered Recaro carbon bucket seats with red inserts.

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Suzuki Baleno 1.0 Boosterjet SZ5

By: John Murdoch

THERE is no shortage of choice in the supermini class and Suzuki has a couple of strong contenders in the shape of its popular Swift and the recently launched Baleno.

I have been sampling the very practical Baleno which first went on sale in June and is already proving popular with private buyers.

It may seem odd to release the Baleno when the company already has the excellent Swift competing in this crowded market sector but Suzuki feels that there is room for both with the Swift catering for sporty buyers and the Baleno competing on price and practicality.

The Baleno sits on a new platform which will also feature in the next generation Swift and as it is very light this helps the Baleno shine in the performance and economy fronts.

Available with a choice of two power units and two trim levels, the talented Baleno costs from £12,999.

The five-door Baleno is a product of Suzuki's new 'Liquid Flow' design theme and while it is not exciting to look at it is tidy.

Style features include a black grille housing the Suzuki badging, a rear spoiler, chrome tailgate trim, LED daytime running lights, rear privacy glass, electrically-adjustable heated door mirrors and front fog lights as well as 16-inch alloy wheels.

For a supermini it offers bags of technology including sat nav with Apple CarPlay, Bluetooth connectivity, a decent sound system, a clear infotainment screen, a three-spoke leather covered steering wheel, smart nicely lit instrument dials and lots more.

The materials may not be as good as the class leaders but the cabin is user-friendly and roomy. Four adults can travel in real comfort and five could travel for shorter journeys - with head and legroom in back surprisingly generous.

There is bags of standard equipment, such as automatic air conditioning, automatic headlamps, guide me home light function, adaptive cruise control, keyless entry and a DAB digital radio.

The Baleno boasts a 320-litre boot and that can be increased to 756 litres with the 60:40 split-folding rear seats dropped flat. In addition to increase its practical credentials there is a glovebox, central bin, door pockets and a small tray just in front of a couple of cup holders.

Two engines are available in the Baleno - a 1.2 SHV or Smart Hybrid Vehicle which is expected to account for only 15 per cent of sales - or the super little three cylinder 1.0-litre engine fitted to the test car.

It might be small but the willing three-pot, 1.0 Boosterjet is up to the job. It might take 11.4 seconds to reach 62mph but it feels quicker and can go on to 124mph, so it has no problem cruising at motorway speeds.

It can deliver combined fuel economy of 62.7mpg with carbon emissions of 105g/km. Thanks to two fairly long journeys I averaged considerably more than the claimed figure.

Fitted with a five-speed manual gearbox the Baleno's powertrain has bags of character and only felt a bit wheezy on really steep gradients. In town it is an ideal companion and very comfortable on longer journeys.

The Baleno is built in India but feels well screwed together and comes with a long list of safety equipment including anti-lock brakes with electronic brake force distribution, six airbags, a tyre pressure monitoring system, radar brake support with brake assist function, ISOFIX child seat anchorages and childproof door locks.

The competition is certainly fierce but the Baleno is well worth considering if you are looking for a practical, value for money supermini that delivers on all fronts.

FAST FACTS

Suzuki Baleno 1.0 Boosterjet SZ5

Price: £13,999

Mechanical: 111ps, 998cc, 3cyl petrol engine driving front wheels via 5-speed manual gearbox

Max speed: 124mph

0-62mph: 11.4 seconds

Combined mpg: 62.7

Insurance group: 11

CO2 emissions: 105g/km

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LEXUS UPGRADES CT 200H BY: STEWART SMITH



LEXUS has revised its CT 200h hatchback hybrid range for 2017 by introducing more choice with an upgraded Sport version and new Executive Edition plus new equipment features and options across the board. The full hybrid hatchback continues to provide cost-efficient performance, with tax-beating emissions of just 82g/km. The CT 200h Sport has new features including a reversing camera, Lexus Navigation, rear privacy glass and matching black 17-inch alloy wheels, mirror housings and spindle grille. These are in addition to the CT 200h's list of standard features, including eight airbags, a six-speaker audio system with Bluetooth, DAB reception, CD player and remote Touch rotary controller, USB port, shark fin roof antenna, push-button start, dual-zone climate control, rain-sensing wipers and Lexus's Drive Mode Select, which allows the driver to adjust the car's performance to suit their personal choice or the driving conditions.

A Sport Plus pack is also an option for £2,500 which adds parking sensors, keyless entry, heated front seats, sunroof and the choice of metallic or two-paint finishes.

The new CT 200h Executive model features 17-inch grey alloy wheels, cruise control, reversing camera, supple Tahara upholstery and Lexus Navigation, in addition to the standard model features detailed above. Prices start at £21,995 for the entry level CT 200h S and on up to £29,995 for the CT 200h Premier.

GALAXY FLIES OFF FORECOURTS FASTEST

BY : MIKE TORPEY

THE 2012 Ford Galaxy has been crowned the UK's fastest selling used car in September, according to independent research conducted by car site AutoTrader.

The Ford, with diesel engine and automatic transmission, took just 12 days to sell, four days clear of its nearest rival.

Data also shows the Ford Kuga was seventh fastest used car to leave UK showrooms, while in four of the UK regions a Ford used



model was quickest to sell.

That included east England where there were five Ford models in the region's top ten fastest selling used cars, including the 2015 Ford Kuga diesel automatic that ranked first with an average of 27 days to sell.

SSANGYONG LAUNCHES AUTUMN OFFERS BY: MIKE TORPEY



purchased this month.

All SsangYong models already come with a five-year limitless mileage warranty.

In addition, on its Korando crossover, buyers can now step up to a two-wheel drive EX model for the same price as an SE at £16,250, or with 4x4 from £17,750.

This means heated front seats, rear privacy glass, auto dipping rear view mirror, auto air-con, seven-inch touchscreen with rear view camera, rear parking sensors and 17-inch alloy wheels.

And on the Rexton 4x4, the SE and EX models now come equipped with free automatic transmission and metallic paint from £23,500.

KOREAN car company SsangYong is announcing three offers aimed at warming its customers this autumn.

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57 Ford Fusion
Style 1400cc, In Silver
12 Months MOT, Some Service
History, C/L P/S E/F/W A/Con
Rear parking Sensors, Very
Clean car and sensibly priced
.....**£1695**



04 Jaguar X-Type
2.1 V6, In Blue, MOT July
2017, Leather Interior (Cream)
Some Service History, Usual
Jaguar refinements, Drives
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07 Skoda Superb
Classic 100 TDI,
1896cc, In Red, 87,654 miles,
MOT June 2017, Loads of Service
History, Documented Cambelt &
Water pump Change @ 80,661 miles,
Towing Pack, Drives Superb.....**£1895**



05 Ford Focus Ghia,
1600cc, In Blue, 80,184 miles,
MOT May 2017, Some Service History
& Receipts, 2 Owners, C/L P/S E/W
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Superb, Very clean car throughout
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Black, 81,587 miles, MOT October
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1600cc, In Grey, 12 Months MOT,
102,745 miles, Excellent car and
Drives superb**£2195**

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C/L P/S A/C Some service History, very
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MOT March 2017, 59,748 miles,
Service History last @ 51,647 miles
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May 2017, 94,634 miles, C/L P/S
E/F/W A/C Very clean for the year and
Drives Superb must be seen.....**£2195**

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1896cc, In Red, 87,654 miles, MOT
June 2017, Loads of Service History,
Documented Cambelt & Water pump
Change @ 80,661 miles, Towing Pack,
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56 Skoda Fabia Ambiente 1.4 16v,
In Grey, 69,808 miles, 12 Months
MOT, Loads of Receipts & S/History
Documented Cam belt & Tensioners
Change, 1 Lady Owner from New,
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Superb.....**£1995**

06 Peugeot 407 SE Luxury pack, In
Grey, Diesel, MOT October 2017, C/L
P/S E/F/W E/M A/C A/W Some Service
History.....**£1295**

06 Vauxhall Vectra Club CDTI 8V, In
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55 Renault Grande Scenic
Authentique DCI, **1500cc**,
93,179 miles, In Silver, (7 Seater),
MOT May 2017, Some Service History,
New Clutch Oct 2017.....**£1595**

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VVT 16v, **1998cc**, In Grey, 12 Months
MOT, Some Service History, Very clean
Car.....**£1195**

05 Ford Focus Ghia, **1600cc**, In Blue,
80,184 miles, MOT May 2017, Some
Service History & Receipts, 2 Owners,
C/L P/S E/W E/M A/Con A/W Cruise
Control, Drives Superb, Very clean
car throughout Must be seen to be
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05 Ford Focus C-Max Zetec, **1600cc**,
94,118 miles, In tonic Blue, MOT March
2017, Last Service @ 91,911 miles,
Documented Cam belt Change.....**£1795**

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In Grey, 12 Months MOT, C/L P/S
E/F/W A/C 2 keys, Very clean.....**£1595**

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Some Receipts, Must be seen to be
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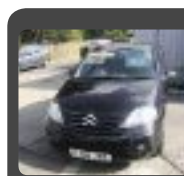
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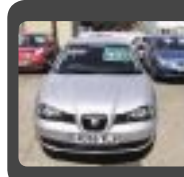
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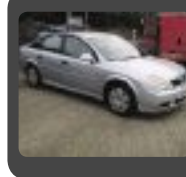
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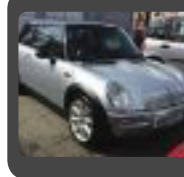
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10 FACTS ABOUT THE VOLKSWAGEN GOLF

BY: STEWART SMITH

THE countdown has begun to a major update for the Volkswagen Golf. The best seller has been around for more than four decades and an entire generation has been named after - known as Generation Golf in Germany. No other European car has sold better. By the end of last year, 32,590,025 Golf cars had been sold. In effect, over the last 42 years someone, somewhere in the world, decides to buy a new Golf every 40 seconds. Record-breaking statistics like these have shaped the car's history which will move on with the announcement of some key changes early next month.

Here are 10 facts about the life of the VW Golf:

1. In 2002 the Golf overtook the Beetle as the most popular car in the world when it notched up 21,517,315 sales.
2. By 1988 the Golf had already broken through the ten million vehicles barrier.
3. In 2003, a Golf Mk1 driver broke through one million kilometres on the clock. More "millionaires" followed.
4. The most expensive Golf was a Mk5 model, once owned by the first owner was Pope Benedict XVI, which was auctioned in 2005 for £188,938.
5. German Chancellor Angela Merkel's first Golf, a Mk2 was auctioned in 2012 and sold for £10,156.
6. More than 2,000 new Golf cars have been produced and sold every day for the past four decades.
7. Only 730 days after its debut, the millionth Golf was delivered.
8. The most powerful Golf ever was the GTI W12-650 with 650bhp on tap. It was presented in 2007 at the GTI meet at Wörthersee.
9. The Golf is currently manufactured in five factories in Germany, Brazil, China and Mexico and is exported to 155 countries.
10. The Golf is the only car in the world which is available with electric, hybrid, petrol, diesel and gas powered engine options.



SKODA KODIAQ PRICES REVEALED BY: STEWART SMITH



SKODA has announced prices and specifications for the all-new Kodiaq SUV ahead of its UK debut early next year. It's Skoda's first seven-seater and will start from £21,495 when ordering starts in November and will be available from launch in four trim levels, five engine options, two and four-wheel drive, and a choice of manual or DSG gearboxes. The range comprises three trims, S, SE and SE L along with a new Edition grade to mark the arrival of the Czech brand's first seven-seater SUV. Standard equipment on the S model includes LED daytime running lights, 17-inch alloy wheels, leather multifunction steering wheel and manual air-conditioning. They also feature a touchscreen infotainment system, DAB digital radio and SmartLink

for smartphone connectivity. The S model is available with a 1.4 TSI 125ps engine only. SE models come in at £22,945 and are available with a broad range of engine and transmission options.

Standard spec includes 18-inch alloy wheels, sunset glass, cruise control and rear parking sensors. There is also Skoda's Bolero touchscreen infotainment system with eight-inch display, dual-zone climate control, rain and light sensors and auto-dimming rear view mirrors. Seven seats are available as a £1,000 option in this trim. Further up the range, SE L models start from £28,695 and feature higher levels of kit including seven seats as standard, powered tailgate, 19-inch alloy wheels, and Columbus navigation

system with Wi-Fi. A multi-mode drive control, Alcantara upholstery, heated front seats and full LED headlights are also standard on SE L models. Topping the range is the new Edition grade which cost from £30,695 and standard equipment includes 19-inch alloy wheels, seven seats, leather upholstery, metallic paint and chrome roof rails. Technology features include a lane keeping assistance system, automatic high beam lamps, wireless phone charging and blind spot detection. As well as the 125ps TSI engine the Kodiaq will also be available with two more powerful petrol engines, a 1.4-litre engine developing 150ps and a 180ps 2.0-litre while on the diesel front it will be powered three versions of Skoda's 2.0-litre engine developing either 115, 150 or 180ps.

MITSUBISHI LAUNCHES SPECIAL EDITION PHEV

BY: STEWART SMITH

A HIGH specification special edition of the Outlander plug-in hybrid called the Juro is being released by Mitsubishi. The Juro is being offered at £32,749, the same price as the Outlander PHEV GX3h+ on which it is based, and comes with a touchscreen CD/DVD infotainment unit with TomTom satellite navigation, smartphone integration and DAB radio as standard. The exterior is enhanced with a new-look to the bonnet featuring a prominent Outlander emblem. Mitsubishi claims that the Outlander hybrid is the UK's best-selling plug-in hybrid electric vehicle and the new offering comes fully loaded with features, including cruise control, 18-inch alloy wheels, heated front seats, the Mitsubishi PHEV app

allowing for remote control of certain functions and dual-zone climate control. The Outlander PHEV can travel up to 32 miles in electric mode alone and has been acknowledged as a breakthrough model in the UK's emerging plug-in hybrid sector. With a rechargeable petrol-electric powertrain the Outlander PHEV has a theoretical fuel return of 156mpg and emissions of 42g/km making it hugely attractive to business users. In 2013, the year before its arrival, the total plug-in hybrid market across all marques stood at just 989. Mitsubishi has sold more than 25,000 Outlander PHEVs in the UK since its launch in 2014, making it the nation's favourite plug-in vehicle.



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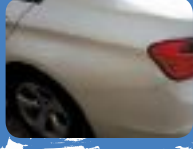
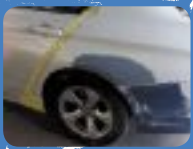
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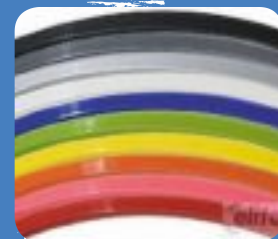
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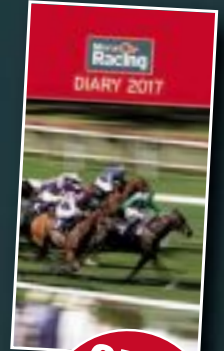
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- to the channel of Ecton Brook near Ecton in Northamptonshire. The proposed improvement works will involve the following: desilting the channel between NGR: SP 83287 61554 to SP 81902 62332.

The Environment Agency considers that the improvement works are not likely to have significant effects on the environment and does not intend to prepare an environmental statement in respect of them. A Scheme Information Document detailing potential environmental impacts and mitigation has been produced and a copy is available on request from the Environment Agency officer based in Peterborough at the address given below.

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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(VARIOUS ROADS, NORTHAMPTON)**

**(WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS AND ON-STREET PARKING PLACES)
(CONSOLIDATION) ORDER 2011 (AMENDMENT No. 33) ORDER 2016**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order under Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 32, 35 to 39 and 45 to 55 and Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act") to amend "The Northamptonshire County Council (Various Roads, Northampton) (Waiting and Loading Restrictions and On-Street Parking Places) (Consolidation) Order 2011 as specified in the schedule below.

A COPY of the Order may be inspected at Northamptonshire Highways, Riverside House, Riverside Way, Bedford Road, Northampton during normal office hours.

If you wish to question the validity of the Order or of any provisions contained in it on the grounds that it is not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or on the grounds that any requirement of that Act, or of any instrument made under it has not been complied with in relation to the Order, you may, within six weeks from the date of this Notice apply to the High Court for this purpose.

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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 -
SECTION 14
THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(STATION ROAD, LITTLE HOUGHTON)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH
TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Station Road, Little Houghton as set out below.

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES:

That length of Station Road, Little Houghton from the junction of Meadow Lane to Clifford Hill.

REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during patching works.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 31st October 2016 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

EXPECTED DURATION: It is expected that the road will be restricted for up to five days.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: use Station Road, Billing Road and Bedford Road.

Dated this 20th day of October 2016

QUENTIN BAKER
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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 -
SECTION 14
THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (VIVIAN ROAD, WELLINGBOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH
TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order the effect of which is to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Vivian Road, Wellingborough as set out below.

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length of Vivian Road, Wellingborough from the junction of Knox Road to Mill Road.

REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during a gas connection.

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EXPECTED DURATION: It is expected that the road will be restricted for seven days.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: use Mill Road, Melton Road and Knox Road.

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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14
THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(MEADOW LANE, LITTLE HOUGHTON)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC)
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order the effect of which is to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Meadow Lane, Little Houghton as set out below.

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length of Meadow Lane, Little Houghton from the junction of Station Road to Bedford Road.

REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during patching works.

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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 -
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THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (BEECH AVENUE, NORTHAMPTON)
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Dated this 20th day of October 2016

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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 -
SECTION 14
THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (BEMBRIDGE DRIVE,
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(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH
TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

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EXPECTED DURATION: It is expected that the road will be restricted until 28th October 2016.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: use Studland Road and Thornton Road.

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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 -
SECTION 14
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SECTION 14

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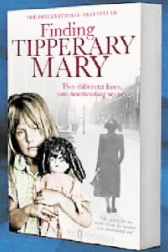
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SAINTS

Players must hold hands up - Wood

Northampton Saints captain Tom Wood believes Alex King took the fall for a 'collective underachievement' after the former England fly-half left his position as attack coach with the club last Friday.

The surprise announcement brought to an end King's three-year tenure with Saints, who won their first-ever Premiership title during his first season with them in 2013/14.

They reached the semi-finals of the play-offs after finishing top of the table the following year, but they failed to finish in the top four in the last campaign and have struggled to pick up results so far this time around.

Director of rugby Jim Mallinder revealed after Saturday's 16-14 win over Montpellier that the decision was made because it was felt the time was right to make a change in order to improve Northampton's fortunes.

Wood said: "Without going into the rights of wrongs of the decision, it's just brutal when an individual takes the fall for what has been a collective underachievement and we've all got to hold our hands up and take some responsibility for that."

"On a personal note, Kingy's a great bloke. I've always got on well with him and it's just a real shame. He's a family man and it's a livelihood at stake, at the end of the day."

"On a human level it is brutal, but in a business sense things have to evolve and move on."

"We have to keep getting better to challenge ourselves and the status quo and I guess that's what that decision has been about."

Thankfully, Northampton were able to round off a tough week at Franklin's Gardens with a hard-fought victory in what was their first European Champions Cup match of the season.

Wood hopes Saints can now kick on, saying: "We desperately needed this for our home fans and our own self-belief. We've put in so much hard work and we've been in some real brutal games where we've come off second best. We're just glad that we could deliver a performance and a win for the fans and hopefully this is the lift that we need kick our season on."

Groomed for success: Nic promises more to come

BY MATT WRIGHT
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Nic Groom has been given a run in the starting line-up early on his first season with Northampton Saints, but the South African scrum-half believes their supporters are yet to see the best of him.

The 26-year-old signed from Super Rugby franchise the Stormers during the summer and introduced himself by scoring two tries off the bench in the opening day defeat against Bath last month.

An injury to fellow No. 9 Lee Dickson before the game against Wasps gave him his chance to show what he could do from kick-off for the first time and Groom has stayed in the XV in the three games since.

His kicking game has caught the eye so far, with his efforts out of hand frequently finding touch deep in the opposition's territory, although he feels he has a lot more to show the Franklin's Gardens faithful.

Groom said: "I feel like I haven't quite had that perfect game where I can walk away and think 'that's what I can bring.'"

"I think there's certain parts of my game that have been good, there have been things that I have been working on that are coming through and I think I'm really contributing towards the team in that way."

"But I'm certainly planning on improving in certain areas and being able to serve the team and influence the game more is something I think you can expect going forward."

Key to Groom settling in at Northampton is forging relationships with the players around him, in particular number 8 Louis Picamoles and fly-half Stephen Myler. Picamoles is a player who Groom says 'can make anything happen,' in reference to the Frenchman's ability to consistently break the gain line, but his partnership



INSTANT IMPACT: Nic Groom goes over for one of the two tries he scored on his Premiership debut against Bath last month

with Myler is something he admits is still in its infancy.

Groom said: "It's getting there and I think, naturally, things do take time. Obviously I've only played a couple of games with him and stuff, but Stephen is a very experienced rugby player and he's got a lot of accolades playing here at the Saints."

"I'm just sort of tapping into that wealth of knowledge, just looking and learning ways that I can improve, how I can make him better and how he can make me better, that sort of thing."

"Obviously we spend a lot of time training together and in every sin-

gle session there are things we are working out and things we're planning for to really improve. I'm really hoping we're going to get to an amazing level, where I know exactly what he's looking for and he knows exactly what to tell me."

Groom had his first experience of European Champions Cup rugby last weekend, as Saints defeated a powerful Montpellier side 16-14 at the Gardens, thanks to Myler's penalty with the very last kick.

They'll be faced with French opponents again when they travel to familiar foes Castres at the Stade Pierre-Antoine on Saturday, a venue where they have only won once in

their four most recent visits.

I think it's going to be a whole different beast, going to France," Groom said, adding: "We expect a hostile crowd, with a really passionate team and supporters."

"We know we can't really look into their Leinster game last week. With all French teams being at home, it's a different challenge altogether."

"I'm really looking forward to it, it's going to be a great experience - I've never been to Castres and I've never really been to France either."

"It's kind of these experiences that I've been relishing in the build-up to coming over here, so I'm really excited."



FIRST INTAKE: The Knights' players in training

Northampton's newest sports team continuing their search for players

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

BY BEN GIBSON
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Do you know your gridiron from your endzone?

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If so you may be interested in joining Northampton's newest sports team, The Northants Knights.

The Knights are only four weeks old and are already having people from all over Northampton sign up to play, although they need

more in order to play in the British American Football League.

The Knights have been set up by head coach Vince Garlick with the help of key players Jack O'Beirne and James Redding.

They are a grass roots team with most of their players coming from the Northampton area.

Garlick said the Northants Knights came to be after one of the players set up a Facebook page, and while the team has experienced flag football players, they are also welcoming beginners to play America's Game.

He added: "We're very much looking at treating everyone from

scratch even if they have prior experience. We feel this has lots of potential because we know the town wants the sport, due to the mass support we received on Facebook in just a matter of days."

"We are trying to create an opportunity for people."

Their aim is to play in the British American Football League, in which the town's former team, the Northampton Storm, had great success.

However, the Knights are not trying to piggy back on the Storm's success, but as a team that can help fill a void in

Northampton's busy sporting schedule. The Knights are currently training with The University of Northampton Stallions on Park Campus from 6:30-9:00 on Thursday evenings.

They have chosen to train there, as they are after a sponsor who will allow them to train with both professional equipment and in professional facilities.

If you are interested in playing for the team, helping out with coaching or even want to sponsor the Northants Knights then you can do so by applying on the Northants Knights Facebook page and sending them a message.

Herald & Post Sport

Rivals Posh lord it over sorry Town

GRIPPED BY THE COBBLERS

BY TOM REED

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Northampton manager Rob Page was forced to apologise after Cobblers slumped to a 3-0 Nene Derby thrashing at London Road.

Yet the Town boss refused to accept an experimental formation had anything to do with Cobblers conceding two soft headers from corners.

The 2,000 massed Town fans will beg to differ given that the team in white seemed to battle with unfathomable tactics as well as local rival opposition.

Indeed, the Cobblers' players appeared as confused as the Shoe Army in the stands with a formation that was both defensive and attacking and that did neither well.

In fairness, Page was hamstrung by the suspensions of Matt Taylor and Jak McCourt but there can be no excuses for failing to get the best out of his remaining players and letting down the loyal band of Town fans who had made the short hop up the A45. The whole thing smacked of the Aidy Boothroyd fiasco at Wembley when illogical team changes gave fans a feeling the team had been beaten in the tunnel.

If there was one bright point on a blue Tuesday night it was Sam Hoskins, as the speedster was the best player on the park and able to carry the ball at will.

Unfortunately, Hoskins had to pick up the slack of other players and travel from range meaning his best work was done from his own half. 'Three-nil on your big day out' sang the Boro die-hards on the London Road terrace to a team that had laid down easy. And they were right, it was a big day out, seven years since the last derby and Town had mucked it up big style.

Cobblers fans were assured Page would continue with Chris Wilder's philosophy, yet the popular 4-2-3-1 has morphed into a 4-4-2 and now 3-5-2 with creative players like Kenji Gorré, Alfie Potter and Lawson D'Ath sitting idle. It's now five games without a win for Town with the first cracks appearing in Page's reign. Northampton fans are easy going and will put up with a gutsy derby defeat. However, they can't and won't accept a walloping brought on by baffling tactics.



SET-PIECE SINS: Northampton conceded two goals from corners in the first half

Cobblers have no defence

COBBLERS

BY MATT WRIGHT

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PETERBOROUGH UNITED 3
NORTHAMPTON TOWN 0

Unquestionably, this was the low point of Rob Page's tenure at Northampton Town, as his charges suffered a nightmare in the Nene Derby at Peterborough United on Tuesday night.

The Posh took advantage of some awful defending from set-pieces to grab this game by the throat and the Cobblers simply didn't have the guile to fight back on what was an evening the Shoe Army will want to forget in a hurry.

Adam Smith had to make an early save from a Marcus Maddison effort that skidded off the turf in front of him, but Northampton buckled under pressure after 13 minutes.

It was such a soft goal to concede, as Maddison whipped in a corner from the left that a completely unmarked Shaquille Coulthirst headed in at the near post.

Smith then produced a brilliant save to keep out a superb strike from

Paul Taylor, but he was let down from the resulting corner as Zander Diamond nodded Maddison's latest set-piece into his own net.

It took until the 41st minute for the Cobblers to work Peterborough 'keeper Luke McGee as he comfortably held Sam Hoskins' low shot to cap a miserable first half.

Smith was just about able to deny Taylor with his feet two minutes after the restart before Brendan Moloney miraculously cleared another effort from the same player off the line soon after.

Moloney then forced a save out of McGee from a narrow angle before Gabriel Zakuani had to make a brilliant sliding tackle to stop Maddison with Smith running into no man's land.

The match was put to bed once and for all with eight minutes left when Gwion Edwards' cross from the right was neatly volleyed in by his fellow sub Tom Nichols.

Here's what we learned from the Cobblers' third defeat in four games...

The gaffer

The absence of suspended midfielders Matt Taylor and Jak McCourt forced Rob Page into a re-think as he

chose to start with a 3-5-2 formation in order to pack the middle of the park.

It meant rare starts for Joel Byrom and Marc Richards, but Byrom looked rusty, was booked and hooked at half-time as Page tried to avoid another sending off, and also give some extra thrust to his side by bringing on John-Joe O'Toole.

Eventually, he reverted to a back four as JJ Hooper entered the fray with just under an hour gone, but the Cobblers didn't pose enough of a threat to mount a comeback.

On the plus side

It might seem strange to use this on a night like this, but Hoskins shone amongst the gloom and was the only Northampton player who consistently posed a threat.

Positives were extremely thin on the ground, though, as none of his teammates were able to follow his example – he even managed to tackle someone while injured on the ground at one point.

Could be better

'Must be better' would be better suited to describe the way the Cobblers defended corners in the first half, as they gave themselves a

mountain to climb. They managed to get themselves into decent attacking positions enough times over the course of the match, but the final ball was sadly lacking as crosses were sent sailing over the heads of those in the middle.

Saved by Smith

Town's number one was comfortably the busier 'keeper and did well to keep the visitors in business with a couple of very good stops.

The pick of which had to be him flying across his goal to keep out a wonderful strike by Taylor that looked destined for the top corner with a save that was reminiscent of David de Gea at Anfield on Monday night.

The opposition

The sad fact of this is that Peterborough could have won this by more and their attack (including their substitutes) were allowed to have something of a field day by some tentative defending.

Their centre backs also won near enough every header as Town struggled for creativity and you can only hope there is no repeat of this in the return match at Sixfields next month.

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PAINFUL NIGHT: Rob Page saw his side slump to defeat at Peterborough

Page apologises

COBBLERS

BY JAMES AVERILL
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Northampton manager Rob Page says the club's fans had the right to boo their players off after Tuesday's woeful 3-0 defeat to local rivals Peterborough United.

The Shoe Army had waited seven years to reacquire the rivalry with Posh, but may have wondered whether it was better off not suffering an embarrassing defeat to their neighbours.

Town created virtually nothing on a night when their defence failed to stand up to set-pieces, heading into the break 2-0 down from two corners before a sucker punch third late on.

Many of the 2,000 plus fans chose to boo at the end, something they've seldom had to do after a year and a half of winning most games. London Road was not the place they wanted to start doing so.

Page said after the match: "I want to apologise to the fans who've travelled, I thought they were exceptional tonight and right to show their frustration at the end, I've just done it with the players myself.

"Nobody is more frustrated with that performance than I am. It's not acceptable and we won't accept it.

"Two set pieces, and we're 2-0 down at half-time because of them. Too many times I've gone in at half-time to the changing room and said to the lads that we can't

keep giving teams silly goals like that.

"We knew they would have a lot of the ball and we would have to be disciplined in our shape and defending, but you can't give goals away like that. It's really hard to take at the minute."

Page opted to go with a 3-5-2 formation following the suspensions of midfielders Matt Taylor and Jak McCourt, and brought Joel Byrom into the side as well as Gabriel Zakuani.

It was certainly a surprise move, one which Page expanded on, and didn't feel really cost his side.

He said: "I wanted to go positive tonight with two up front. To do that, knowing that they play a diamond, I needed an extra man in the middle of the park, so to bring Gabby with his experience back in

it made sense to go with the three.

"But the formation had nothing to do with the two goals we've conceded in the first half. I thought we weathered the storm when we had to, and I had to take Joel Byrom off at half-time because I didn't want another Jak McCourt scenario where he mistakes a tackle and finds himself with a red. It was unfortunate for him but I had to do it.

"I'm not making excuses but we missed the spine of our team tonight with Matty's and Jak's suspension.

"We changed the shape at half-time and I thought we were on top for large parts of the second half, but when you don't finish your chances and they take a half chance and it's 3-0 and game over."

SAINTS

Saints look for another French win

Mikey Haywood is expecting another big, physical battle up front when Northampton Saints look to make it two wins out of two in this season's European Champions Cup when they face Castres on Saturday.

Saints' players came out of last week's opener against Montpellier battered and bruised, but victorious as they managed to repel one of the biggest teams, in terms of sheer size, in the game.

While Castres have often been poor travellers in continental competition, they are formidable opponents at home, as Northampton have found out in their last three visits there.

Haywood has targeted getting on top of their French opponents in areas they consider to be their strength in what is their fifth trip to the Stade Pierre-Antoine in seven seasons.

He said: "Normally you see the French focus on having big packs, so scrum time again is going to be massive for us and we've done a lot of work on the line-out this week.

"It didn't really run that smoothly at the weekend, but we did lose Courtney Lawes quite late on during the week, so hopefully we can get that right this weekend."

When asked what it was like to come up against such a collectively massive group of opponents last week, Haywood said: "They're huge - after the game I tried to look at the weight difference because I think we lost at least a stone per person.

"Their seven [Antoine Battut] was massive, I was walking to a line-out and I was looking at Woody [Tom Wood] next to [Nemani] Nadolo and the difference [in size] was unbelievable - and he's a winger at 20-odd stone."

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